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HAL JORDAN AND HIS ANTI-MATTER COUNTERPART--
--PAWNS IN THE ENDGAME OF THE COSMIC CONTROLLER!
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RETURN OF THE QWA-MAN

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THE NO-ZONE
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HAL JORDAN HAS FIFTEEN MINUTES TO LIVE...
...FACE IT--
--YOUR EVIL ANTI-MATTER DOPPELGÄNGER WAS AN ACCIDENT WAITING TO HAPPEN.
IS THAT SO?
HOW ABOUT YOU DO YOUR JOB.
AND I'LL DO MINE.
UNDER-STOOD!
NOBODY TELLS YOU WHAT TO DO, LANTERN JORDAN.

...IT'S INDEED FORTUNATE I LACK THE CAPACITY TO EXPERIENCE ***EMOTIONS,*** LANTERN TRU.
OTHERWISE OUR CURRENT BLEAK PREDICAMENT MIGHT BE A CAUSE FOR SOME ***CONCERN.***
ENOUGH!
WE'RE ***NOT*** GONNA DIE!
AS EVOLUTION'S CAPRICE WOULD HAVE IT, THE PROSPECT OF MY OWN IMMINENT ***EXTINCTION*** CAUSES ME NO STRESS.
BY THE SAME TOKEN, YOUR SELF-SACRIFICE, NOBILITY, AND COURAGE IN MY DEFENSE LEAVE ME EQUALLY ***INDIFFERENT...***
I WON'T LET YOU DIE, TUEBEEN.
NOT GONNA HAPPEN.
VVTTXXX
XXXLANTERN BZZB!
ssqqkkkzz
DEALING
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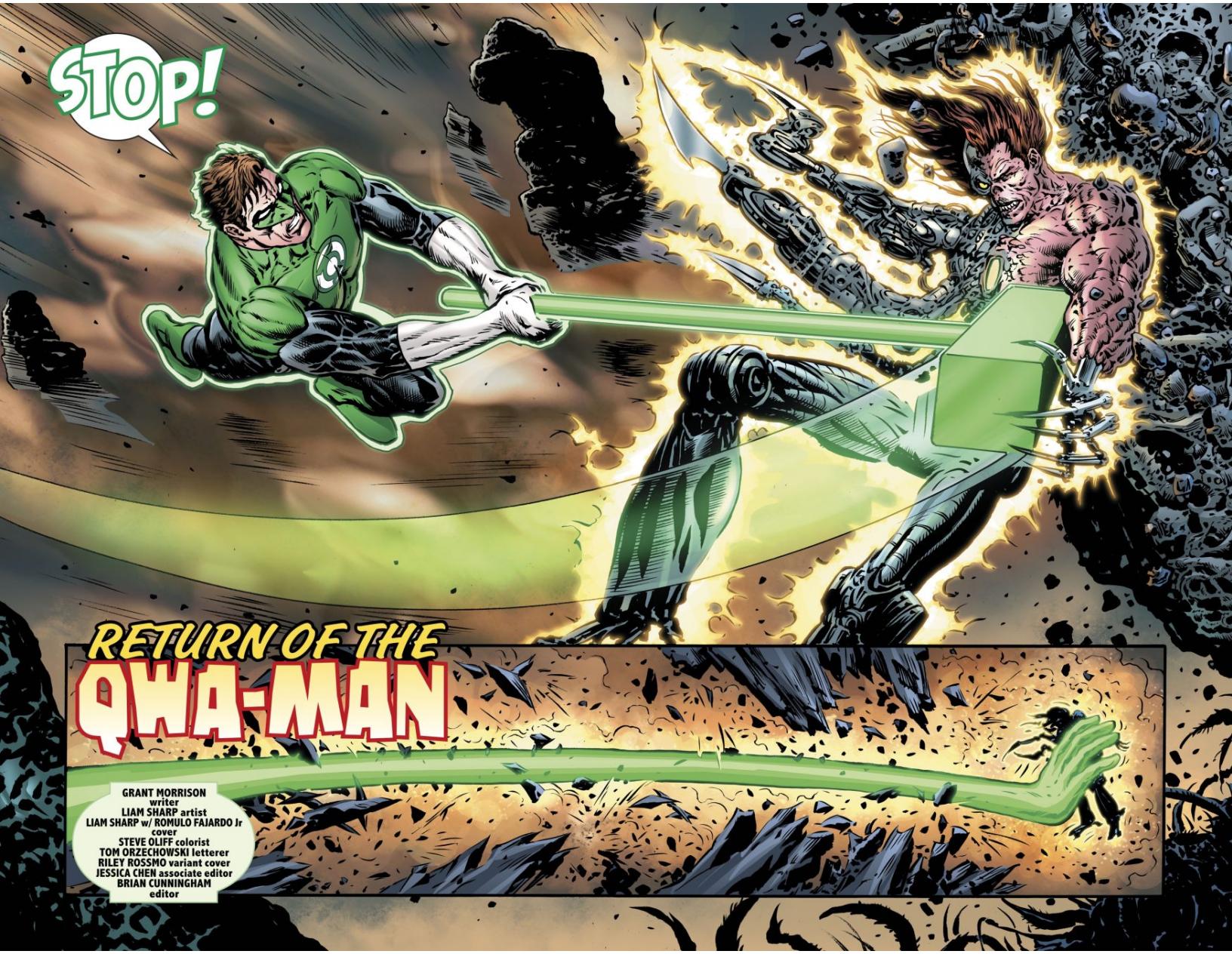
THAT'S IT!
HERE!
OVER HERE!
AAGGGGGH
KILL YOU!
URR!
GET OFF ME!
STOP!
YOU HEARD HER...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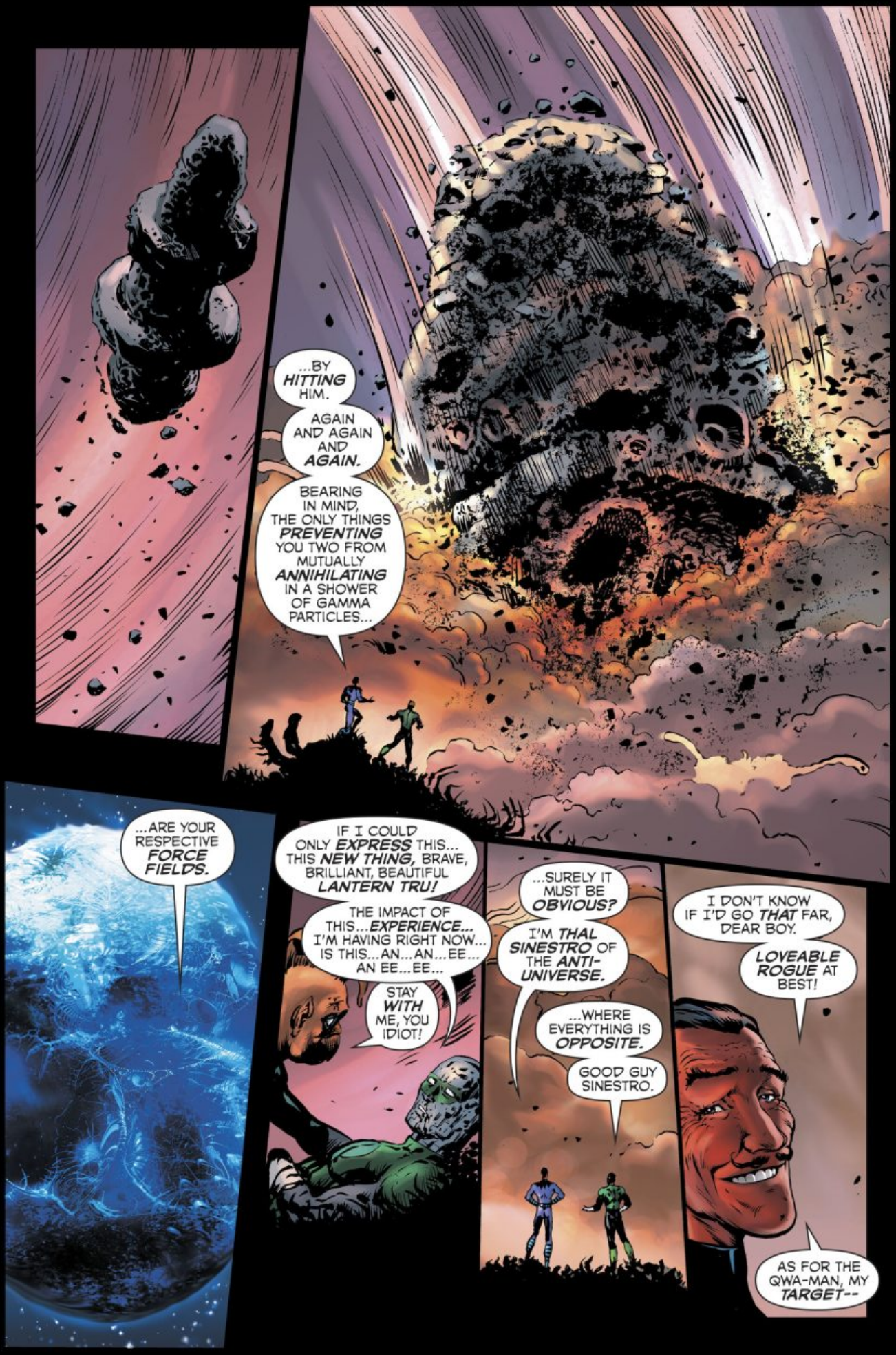
REQUESTING BACKUP!
IS ANYBODY THERE?
ZZTT
ZKKT CAN'T FEEL LEGS KK
EXERCISE CAUTION.
REALLY?
ANY MORE GOOD ADVICE?
THE GUARDIANS ARE NEVER FAR AWAY, LANTERN TRU.
HELP IS ON ITS WAY...
TELL THEM THEY NEED TO HURRY!
PLEASE HURRY!
HURRY.

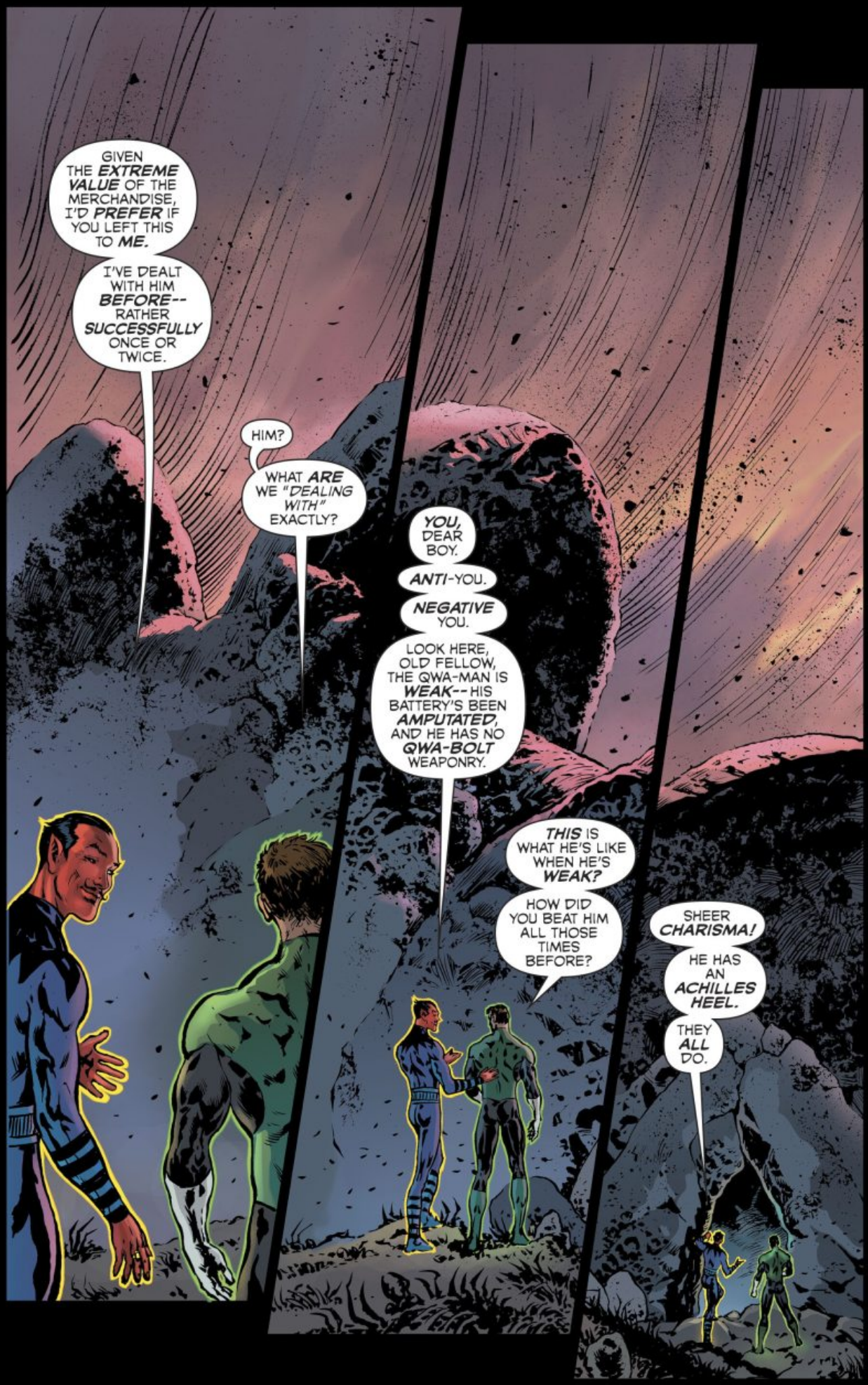
WE KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN.
THIS QWA-MATTER LANTERN IS THE PAWN OF A MASTER STRATEGIST.
AS WE SUSPECTED.
CONTROLLER MU'S ENDGAME DRAWS NEAR.
WHAT OF OURS?
I EXPLAINED TO HIM, "FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YOUR LIFE--WE NEED YOU TO DO EXACTLY AS YOU ARE TOLD.
"THE REST, LANTERN JORDAN...
"...THE REST WILL BE UP TO YOU."

...CAREFUL, JORDAN...
HE'S STRONG-- AND HIS MIND--
HIS MIND IS VERY SICK.
DAMMIT.
IT'S NOT GONNA HOLD HIM, IS IT?
GGNNRRRRGGG
THUMB SNAP.
OW!
SKWWAARRR!

!WWAUUWW
MOVES SO FAST--
WHAT ARE YOU?
WHAT ARE YOU?
PERHAPS I CAN HELP WITH THAT!
--WHUH?
NO WAY.
YOU GOTTA BE JOKING...

AT A TIME LIKE THIS?
COME NOW, YOU NEEDN'T LOOK SO SURPRISED.
Hmm?
SINESTRO?
INDEED.
SCORPEDOES WON'T HOLD HIM FOR LONG.
WE'RE RUNNING IN PLACE UNTIL WE CAN OVERLOAD HIS SELF-REPAIR SYSTEMS.
"AND HOW SHALL WE ACCOMPLISH THAT MIRACLE, MY DEAR SINESTRO?" I ALMOST HEAR YOU CRY.


...BY HITTING HIM.
AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN.
BEARING IN MIND, THE ONLY THINGS PREVENTING YOU TWO FROM MUTUALLY ANNIHILATING IN A SHOWER OF GAMMA PARTICLES...
...ARE YOUR RESPECTIVE FORCE FIELDS.
IF I COULD ONLY EXPRESS THIS... THIS NEW THING, BRAVE, BRILLIANT, BEAUTIFUL LANTERN TRU!
THE IMPACT OF THIS...EXPERIENCE... I'M HAVING RIGHT NOW... IS THIS...AN...AN...EE... AN EE...EE...
STAY WITH ME, YOU IDIOT!
...SURELY IT MUST BE OBVIOUS?
I'M THAL SINESTRO OF THE ANTI-UNIVERSE.
...WHERE EVERYTHING IS OPPOSITE.
GOOD GUY SINESTRO.
I DON'T KNOW IF I'D GO THAT FAR, DEAR BOY.
LOVEABLE ROGUE AT BEST!
AS FOR THE QWA-MAN, MY TARGET--


GIVEN THE EXTREME VALUE OF THE MERCHANDISE, I'D PREFER IF YOU LEFT THIS TO ME.
I'VE DEALT WITH HIM BEFORE-- RATHER SUCCESSFULLY ONCE OR TWICE.
HIM?
WHAT ARE WE "DEALING WITH" EXACTLY?
YOU, DEAR BOY.
ANTI-YOU.
NEGATIVE YOU.
LOOK HERE, OLD FELLOW, THE QWA-MAN IS WEAK-- HIS BATTERY'S BEEN AMPUTATED, AND HE HAS NO QWA-BOLT WEAPONRY.
THIS IS WHAT HE'S LIKE WHEN HE'S WEAK?
HOW DID YOU BEAT HIM ALL THOSE TIMES BEFORE?
SHEER CHARISMA!
HE HAS AN ACHILLES HEEL.
THEY ALL DO.

THERE ARE MORE?
IF HE'S ME, IT'S MY JOB TO TAKE HIM DOWN.
I'M AFRAID I SIMPLY CAN'T ALLOW THAT.
LOOK, DON'T MAKE THIS ANY MORE ONEROUS.
I RELY ON BOUNTY TO SURVIVE--
AND THE QWA-MASTERS WILL PAY HANDSOMELY TO GET HIM BACK.
ALMOST AS MUCH AS THE BLACKSTARS PAID ME TO LURE HIM TO THIS PLANET IN THE FIRST PLACE.
WHAT?
IT WAS YOU--
YOU BROUGHT HIM HERE.
WORKING FOR CONTROLLER MU... MY GOD...
NOW HE CATCHES UP!
ENOUGH!
SEE WHAT YOU'VE DONE!
SINESTRO!
BEHIND YOU!
OH, FOR HADEA'S SAKE, DO I LOOK LIKE A COMPLETE--

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IT'S NOW OR NEVER, JORDAN!
SHIELD POWER AT 30%!
WORK FAST.
HIT HIM, HE SAID!
SHIELD POWER AT 27%!
HIT HIM AGAIN!
AND AGAIN!

AND AGAIN!
SHIELD POWER AT 23%!
ANTI-MATTER EVENT IMMINENT!

DUTT
ENOUGH, YOU VILE BRUTE!
GAAUGH
EXACTLY!
ME!
TRILLA TRU'S MY PARTNER AND I HAVE A SCORE TO SETTLE WITH THIS FILTHY SPECIMEN!
PROBING DEFENSES.
PROCEED WITH CAUTION!

LANTERN TOX--
I--THOUGHT-- I THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD--
karrf kwaukk
SHIELD POWER AT 10%!
SELF!
REPAIR!
THIS!
AHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA
HEAR ME?
STOP, GODDAMN YOU!
STOP!
STOP!
NO.
MORE.
ON MELMOOR, WHERE I COME FROM, WE'RE BORN WITH NINE LIVES.
HUSH.
FLOOZLE FLEM'S SENDING YOU TO SLEEP UNTIL WE REACH A MEDICAL FACILITY.
SHIELD POWER AT 2%!
REST, TRILLA-TRU...
YOU'VE EARNED IT.

...JORDAN!
JORDAN, IT'S OVER!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO--
NO!
HE'S RIGHT!
IT'S STILL MOVING-- IT--
AUURCCCHHH
CHRISELON?
YOU'RE NOT CHRISELON...
WHAT THE HELL?
UH-OH.
LOOK!
UP IN THE SKY!

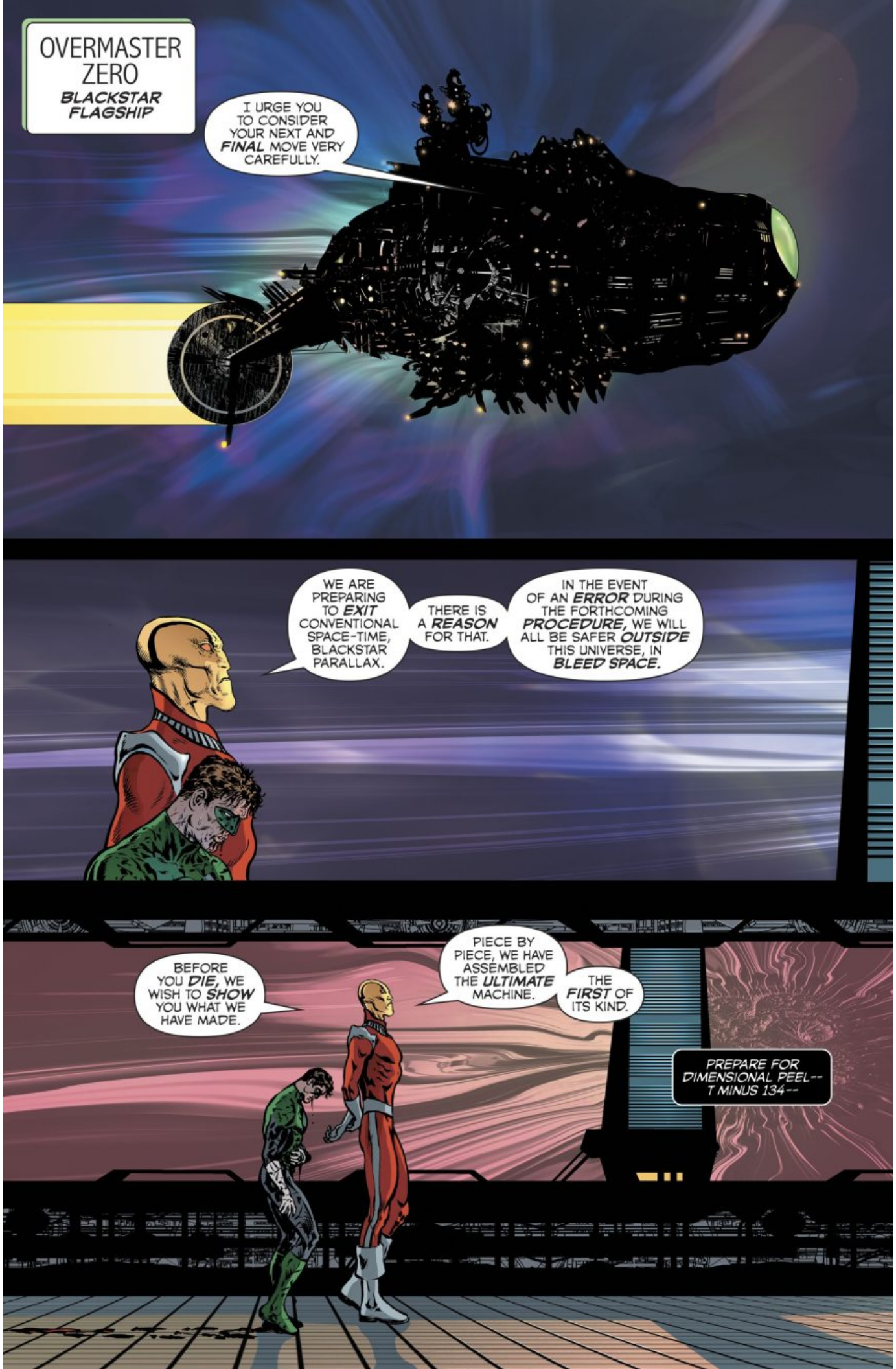
ANTI-MATTER SHIELDS OPERATIVE.
SUPERWATCH: STRIKE FORMATION SIX...
"GOD WANTS A WORD."
...YOU'RE DURLAN.
IT WAS YOU, FROM THE START--
THE BLACKSTAR INFORMANT--THE TRAITOR--
DUTY-- TO PROTECT YOU--
NO MATTER WHAT--
BLACKSTAR WAY-- PUH-PROTECT--
HALJORDAN!
NEVER MIND ME!
GET THAT THING INTO A CAGE!
STOP!

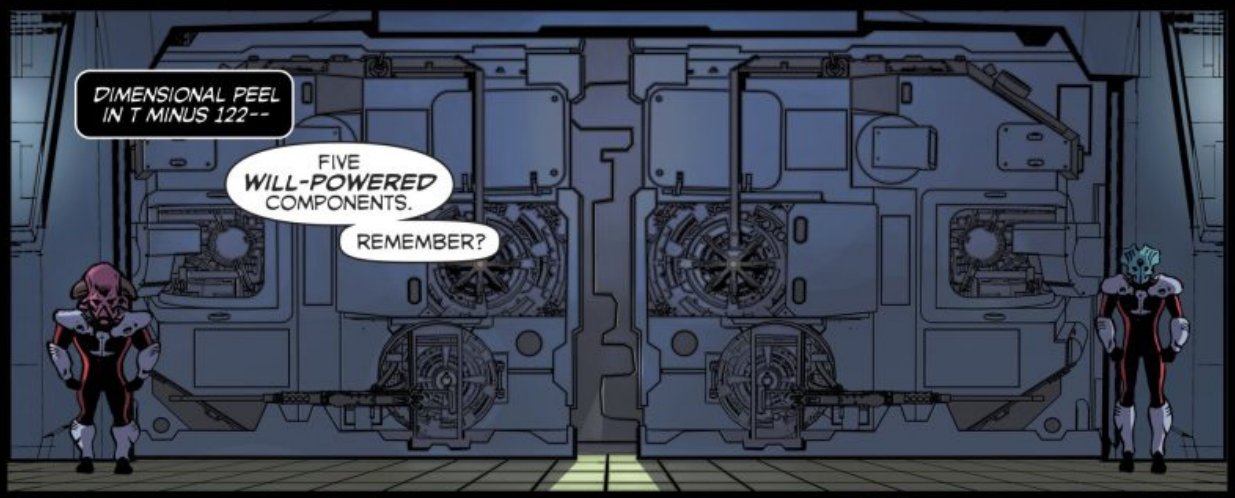
STOP RIGHT THERE!
THE UNITED PLANETS SUPERWATCH HAS THIS SITUATION IN HAND.
ARE YOU KIDDING ME?
HALJORDAN, HAL KAR IS RIGHT.
THIS IS THE NO-ZONE.
NO JURISDICTION.
LANTERNS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE HERE.
NO PROBLEM.
WE ALREADY JOINED FORCES WITH THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES FROM THE ANTI-VERSE.
ONE OF THEIR BORDERMEN WAS SENT TO RETURN THE ANTI-ENTITY TO CUSTODY.
IT'S HERE NOW.
NO-- STOP THIS--
SOMETHING STINKS.
JORDAN, YOU'RE HURT BADLY--
AAAAUUUAAAK

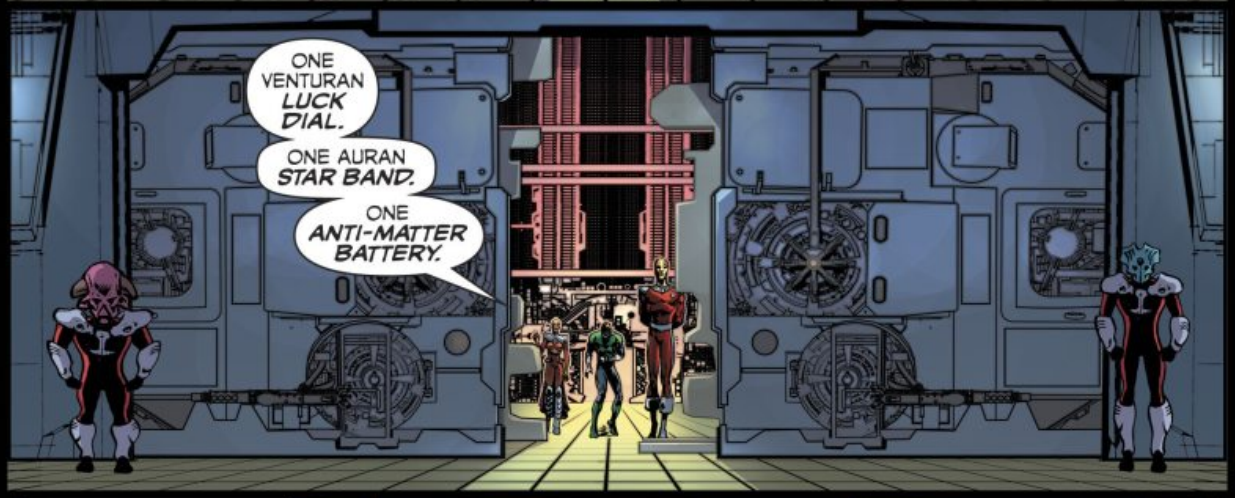
...DON'T YOU SEE? IT'S A TRICK!
IT'S ONE OF THEM!
QWA-MASTER!
ZZUTT
...SINESTRO?
WAIT A MINUTE--
SOMETHING ISN'T RIGHT--
SOMETHING TERRIBLE IS ABOUT TO HAPPEN...
NOOO...
?

...ZIGGLE SACRIFICED HIRZ *LIFE* TO EQUIP YOU WITH THE *ZETA-BEAM* TRANSMITTER THAT JUST SAVED *YOU.*
WHEN YOU HAVE NOTHING ELSE.
NO HOPE, NO WAY OUT.
WHO CAN YOU *RELY* ON?
WHO BUT YOUR *BLACKSTAR COMRADES.*
WE GOT YOU OUT OF THERE JUST IN TIME, PARALLAX.
YOU HAVE *CONTROLLER MU* TO THANK FOR THAT.
SEND ME *BACK!*
IT WAS A *TRAP!*
A *SETUP!*

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?
WE CAN'T LET THEM GET LOOSE, BELZEBETH!
MU HAS IT ALL UNDER CONTROL.
CONTROLLER MU IS DEAD!
I SAW HIM DIE!
OH, PARALLAX.
AS IF A MIND LIKE THE MASTER'S COULD BE CONTAINED IN A SINGLE BODY.
TOO BAD YOU DON'T HAVE THE SAME LUXURY.
BLACKSTAR PARALLAX.
A TIMELY ENTRANCE.
REGRETTABLY, AS A RESULT OF THE PHYSICAL DAMAGE YOU HAVE SUSTAINED, YOUR DEATH FROM BLOOD LOSS AND ORGAN FAILURE WILL OCCUR IN FOUR MINUTES AND 38 SECONDS.


OVERMASTER ZERO
BLACKSTAR FLAGSHIP
I URGE YOU TO CONSIDER YOUR NEXT AND FINAL MOVE VERY CAREFULLY.
WE ARE PREPARING TO EXIT CONVENTIONAL SPACE-TIME, BLACKSTAR PARALLAX.
THERE IS A REASON FOR THAT.
IN THE EVENT OF AN ERROR DURING THE FORTHCOMING PROCEDURE, WE WILL ALL BE SAFER OUTSIDE THIS UNIVERSE, IN BLEED SPACE.
BEFORE YOU DIE, WE WISH TO SHOW YOU WHAT WE HAVE MADE.
PIECE BY PIECE, WE HAVE ASSEMBLED THE ULTIMATE MACHINE.
THE FIRST OF ITS KIND.
PREPARE FOR DIMENSIONAL PEEL-- T MINUS 134--


DIMENSIONAL PEEL IN T MINUS 122--
FIVE WILL-POWERED COMPONENTS.
REMEMBER?


ONE VENTURAN LUCK DIAL.
ONE AURAN STAR BAND.
ONE ANTI-MATTER BATTERY.

PLUS, THE SUPREME EXAMPLE OF PSYCHO-TECHNOLOGY THIS UNIVERSE HAS TO OFFER...
ONE GREEN LANTERN RING.
THE PRECISE OPERATION OF WHICH YOU DEMONSTRATED WITH SPECTACULAR RESULTS ON RANN.
THAT'S... FOUR... FOUR COMPONENTS.
YOU... YOU NEED FIVE.
YOU SAID FIVE...
THINK, BLACKSTAR PARALLAX.

THE U-BOMB WE MADE YOU DISARM TOLD US EVERYTHING WE NEEDED TO KNOW ABOUT THE UNIQUE BOND YOU SHARE WITH YOUR POWER RING.
COME NOW, YOU MUST HAVE GUESSED...

THE FIFTH COMPONENT IS YOU.
IN THE LANGUAGE OF THE LOST MONITOR RACE THAT FORGED THESE AS WEAPONS DURING GOD WAR ONE--
IT IS GEH-JEDOLLAH.
GENESIS BOX--THE ABSOLUTE.
ULTIMATE DESTROYER, SUPREME MAKER.
WE CALL IT THE MIRACLE MACHINE.
A SINGLE THOUGHT, ONE SOLITARY WISH--AND EVERYTHING CHANGES IN ACCORDANCE WITH WILL.
THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE REMADE WITH A WORD.
DIMENSIONAL PEEL IN T MINUS THIRTY SECONDS--

To be continued in BLACKSTARS #1 on sale in November!

EPILOGUE

THE ANTI-MATTER UNIVERSE

NOW ME KNOW!
LET ME RETURN!
SOON SECTOR DICTATOR!
BUT NOT ALONE!
ARISE WEAPONEERS!
PAIN!
DEATH!
KILL!
HATE!
KILL!
DEATH!
PAIN!
HATE!
AAAAAIIEEEEEE

HATE!
DEATH!
KILL!
PAIN!
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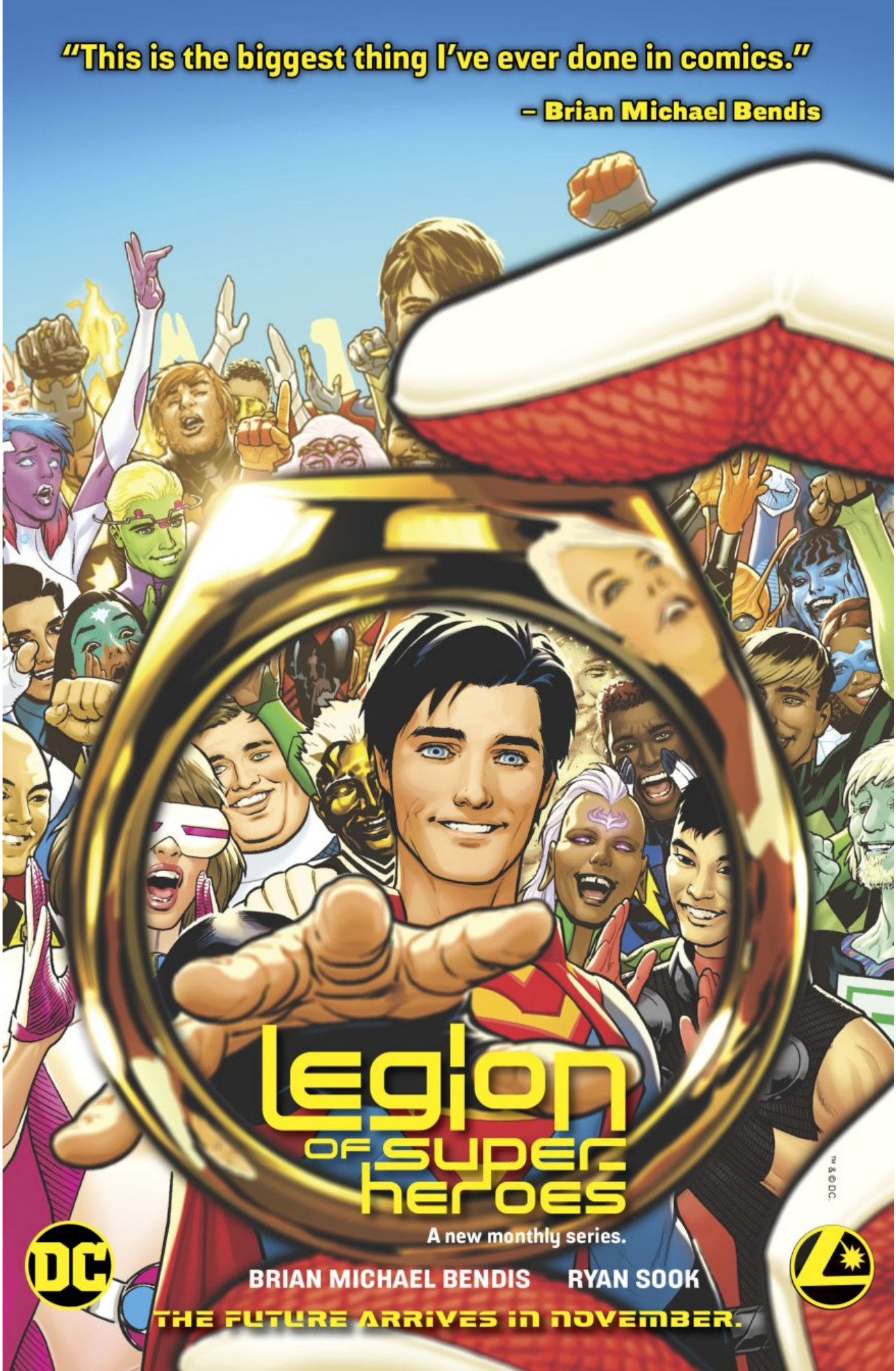
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A DC NATION INTERVIEW WITH *JOKER/HARLEY: CRIMINAL SANITY* ARTISTS

MICO SUAYAN AND MIKE MAYHEW

What can you share about the sections you're drawing in *Joker/Harley: Criminal Sanity* and what the experience has been like so far?

Mico Suayan: *Joker/Harley: Criminal Sanity* deals with two different timelines. The past, where we deal with the early lives of the characters and show how their lives are intertwined as the story progresses. And of course the present, which is most of what I'll be drawing.

Mike Mayhew: Since this is a new, unexplored "world" for these never-before-seen versions of these characters, a lot of time was invested into examining how the look and feel of that world should play out on the page. It's hard to get it right off the bat, but I think issue #1 will show readers that we are taking a bold and distinct approach.

Joker and Harley Quinn are two of the most recognizable characters in comics, but this is a different type of story for them both–what's your visual approach to them in this series?

Mayhew: This Joker might be the scariest ever created because he's the ultimate practitioner of an evil that exists in the world we live in. This type of predator has the potential to touch every single one of us. And along the way we offer glimpses into how he became this way.

Our Harley seems to be someone who had some similar circumstances, but somehow manages to make the right choices and become someone who makes the world a better place. I think she will be much more relatable to readers than the exaggerated Harley we are used to.

Suayan: When I talked to [series writer] Kami [Garcia] during a con, it was pretty clear what she wanted and what the feel and look of this world was gonna be. She mentioned different movies and shows as inspiration–movies that have had a huge influence in my style, so it wasn't difficult for me to find the proper approach visually.

Having been tapped to draw some of DC's important characters is a dream come true! The pressure of not disappointing fans while telling a compelling story has been an overwhelming experience for me. And it's fun!

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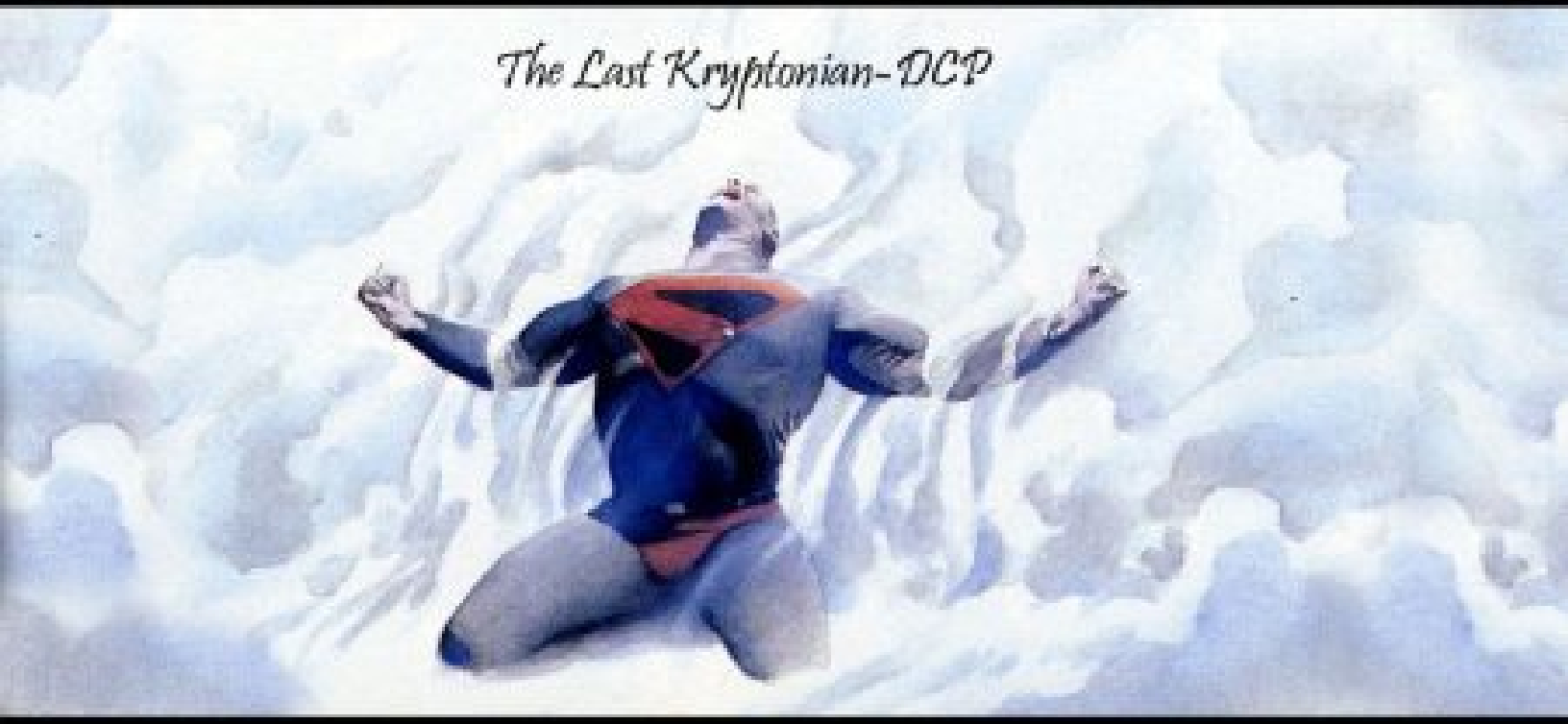
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